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Sir:

The following amendments are submitted preliminary to an action on the merits.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 23-25 as follows:

(A copy of the marked-up version of amended claims 23-25 are attached to this Amendment.

<sup>30</sup>  
23. (Amended) An apparatus according to claim <sup>28</sup>21, wherein said connector is provided on said cover means.

<sup>31</sup>  
24. (Amended) An apparatus according to claim <sup>28</sup>21, wherein said control circuit is adapted for processing a signal received from said throttle sensor and for outputting a command signal to said motor in response thereto.

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